### UNITARIAN CONFERENCE HEARS NOTED SPEAKERS

Dr. V. G. B. Pierce Addresses Large Gathering on "The Bible We

Believe In." BOSTON PASTOR ON PROGRAM

Dr. Paul Revere Frothingham Says Church, Groping in Clouds of Metaphysics, Has Lost Sight of the Simple Nazarene.

The second day of the Southern Unitarian conference was marked by well-attended meetings, in spite of the rain. The conference convened in the Uni-tarian Church, and opened for a busi-The report of the secretary and treasurer was read and rou-tine business diposed of. Notable gain in membership, interest and in-fluence were reported by the majority f the churches in the conference, and ing a vital factor in the communities where churches are located. The meeting closed with a devotional service led by Rev. J. M. Seaton, of the Roanoke church.

In the afternoon, while the ministers in conference at the manse were dis-cussing the "Sources of Strength for the Modern Minister," the Southern ssociate Alliance annual meeting was eld in the church.

reports from the various branch alliances, addresses were made by the president, Miss M. E. Soule, of New Orleans; Mrs. Abby A. Peterson, vice-president of the National Alliance, and by Mrs. Mary B. Davis, correspond-ing secretary of the same organiza-

AND SOUTHERN STATES Davis told of the work the al-Southern States. She pointed out how her experience has taught her the her experience has taught her the groundlessness of the popular misconception of Unitarianism, namely, that it is an intellectual faith capable of being grasped only by highly educated, being grasped only by highly educated, Deficiency in rainfall since March

The public meeting last night in the Little Theater was one of the best since the opening of the conference, nd was marked by stirring addresses by powerful speakers. While the couse filled, pictures of prominent Unirian men and buildings were thrown the screen. The meeting began at o'clock with a hymn, followed with devotional service by Rev. George linour, of Dallas, Tex. The president of the conference first

roduced former President Taft's forpastor, and former chaplain of United States Senate, Dr. U. G. B. who spoke on the subject, "The

esentation of our Unitarian this subject should have a foreplace because our view of the is a fundamental one. This view s so simple and reverent that no one an take offense at it. Unitarians do egard the Bible as a book out of build creeds, but as a book He comes to it with certain The first of these is, 'We all believe that,' which simply that Unitarians are not as bad does not have to break into your the sheep of his pasture. He hath St. Louis ... t left himself without a witness." NITARIANS NOT WORRIED

ABOUT MISTAKES IN BIBLE the Bible is a record of his inomings and his out-goings in connection with human hearts. It is the record of human weaknesses and human aspirations. Some people are vorried about mistakes in the Bible. We are not, for human nature has the capacity of making mistakes Sun sets. . . 6.54 Evening. . . 12:45 profiting by them. The Bible holds he weaknesses of men. Take them of the Bible and you make it a

The next speaker was Dr. Paul Revere Frothingham, of Boston, He spoke on the subject, "The Christ We Fol-

"I am not going to talk about the Christ of creeds, but about Jesus, who about doing good." Apostle Paul warned his disciples not to lose 'the simplicity which is in Christ Jesus.' I want to speak of the simplicity which is in the christ Jesus.' I want to speak of the simplicity which is in the christ Jesus.' I want to speak of the christ Jesus which is the christ which is the christ Jesus which is the christ which w

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### To-Day and To-Night in Richmond

Council Committee on Advertising and Enterprises, City Hall, 8 o'clock. Post A, Travelers' Protective Association, meeting to discuss union station project, 8:15 o'clock.

Luncheon, Richmond Advertisers' Club, Lexington Hotel, 1:15 o'clock, talk by R. R. King.

Half-hour services, Young Women's Christian Association, 1 o'clock, conducted by Miss Kntherine Hawes.

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Commencement exercises, John Marshall Night High School, high school auditorium, 8 o'clock.

Address before Equal Suffrage League by Christopher B. Garnett, on "Tax Reform," League head-quarters, 4:30 o'clock.

Baseball, International League, Richmond vs. Buffalo, Brond Street Park, 4 o'clock.

Annual Convention, National Leather and Shoe Finders' Association. Jefferson Hotel, 10 o'clock.

Academy—Ruskin's Animal Pictures, 8:30.

Lyric-Popular vaudeville; mati-nee, 3; night, 7:30 and 9.

### The Weather



Local Temperature.

Mean temperature
Normal temperature
Deficiency in temperature
Deficiency in temperature since
March 1
Accumulated deficiency since January

Local Observation at S P. M. Yesterday Temperature, 51; humidity, 95; wind, direction, southeast; wind, velocity, 9 miles; weather, rain.

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES

April 27, 19 HIGH TIDE

keep her Locks Dark,

the simplicity of Jesus.

"The church has proceeded to do what the Apostle said not to. In the clouds of metaphysics they have lost sight of the simple Nazarene. The Apostle's creed knows nothing of the life of Jesus between his birth and his death. The man who went about doing good, healing the sick in body and soul, is lost sight of. But we are getting back to him, and to the simplicity that marked his life, his message and his personality. Simplicity was the keynote of his life and teachings.

"Our Gospel, the Gospel for To-Day," the subject of the last address of the evening, was forcefully handled by Rev. George Kent, of New Orleans.

Colored Woman Stabbed.

Cora Holmes, colored, was stabbed in the breast by a negro at 3996 Lester Street early last night. She was treated by Ambulance Surgeon Fletcher, but is said no; to have been injured seriously.

Paralyzed on Fishing Trip.
Lewis F. Mason, sixty-six years old, a widely known citizen, was paralyzed yesterday while on a fishing trip down the James River. He was removed to his home, 642 North Eighth Street, where his condition was reported as critical last night.

### LEATHER MEN INDORSE REGULATION OF EXCHANGE

Want Reserve Board to Supervise Rates on Checks Charged by Member Banks.

)LD OFFICERS ARE RE-ELECTED

The National Leather and Finders' Association, in annual con-vention at the Jefferson Hotel, yesterday unanimously adopted a resolution calling on the Federal Reserve Board enforce the provisions which re quires the Federal reserve banks to regulate the rates of exchange charged the interchange of checks between

resentatives, which requires the main-tenance of retail prices on identified and trade-marked goods. At same session, Mayor Ainslie and Business Manabney, of the Chamber of Com-were thanked, by resolution, for cordial greetings extended by them on behalf of the city and the business in-terests of the community.

TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Percy J. Straus, of this city, was relected to membership on the associaon the committee for the short term of one year. Most of the old officers, in-cluding President J. H. Martin and Sec-George A. Knapp, were re-

John C. F. Jackson, of St. Louis, in 3.29 Jobber and the Shoe Repairer," urged a closer co-operation between the tw the end that the shoe repairer may uplifted. Mr. Jackson is editor of The Shoe Repair Shop."

The delegates will hold a joint ses-on this morning with the associate nembers, who are manufacturers cago, Milwaukee and Baltimore are the McPherson, twenty-one years old, was found guilty of murder in the second connection. The convention will addegree by a Norfolk County jury early convention. ourn to-night with a banquet at the

leights and Ginter Park appeared be- for a new trial, the motion being post

AT IS MAKING

AT 21 MEASURING

A PERFECT SHOE

Workers Have Secured 325 of the 500 New Members Set as

Goal. Reports made at the meeting last night of the teams in the big member-ship campaign of the Central Young Men's Christian Association gave in-dications that the special summer campaign will be successful. The workers have set 500 new members as the goal, and 325 new members have aiready been enrolled. Speeches were made by Succeed Himself, and Percy J.
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Rawleigh, 40; Captain

aptain S. G. Burnett, It; Captain E. McBain, 14; Captain W. Norman, 10; Captain C. H. Schaaf, her Captain S. T. Strange, 31; Captain dat

### HOUSEWIVES' LEAGUE

Richmond Women Organize Branch of National Association With Sixty Members.

Women's Christian Association, sixty members. Mrs. Whitehead, president of the Norfolk Housewives' League, and State chairman, addressed he gathering and directed the organ-

Mrs. Stuart Michaux. Arthur P. Wilmer, first vice-president; Mrs. Charles P. Lee, second vice-president; Miss Cally Ryland, correspond-ing secretary; Mrs. Hampden Chamber-Preston Noland, treasurer.

### GETS EIGHTEEN YEARS

harles McPherson Convicted of Murder of W. J. Lassiter in Norfolk County.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NORFOLK, VA., April 26.—Charle degree by a Norloik County Jury early this morning for the death of W. J. Lassiter last February. His punishment was fixed at eighteen years in the penitentiary. Colonel George Want Parkway Constructed. the penitentiary. Colonel George delegation representing Barton Cabell, counsel for the prisoner, asked

of a Carrier was leaving the Pentecostal Church parkway through Battery Court, con-necting Ginter Park and Barton South Norfolk, on the evening of Feb-Ginter Park and Barton South Norfolk, on the evening of reported cost of the work is es-

### Y. M. C. A. CAMPAIGN TEAMS RICHMOND BOY IS KILLED FIGHTING FOR THE ALLIES

John C. Thurston Dies in Engagement With Germans in Flanders.

MOTHER RECEIVES SAD NEWS

Notified by Canadian Adjutant-Gen-Young Soldier Was Only Twenty-

John C. Thurston, of this city, who had been serving with the Canadian troops in the European war, was killed

Mrs. Thurston had not heard from her son since the arrival of a letter dated March 29, and feared that he had met death or serious injury in battle. He had been prompt to write the had been of the allies.

The Housewives' League of Richmond was organized yesterday afternoon in the clubroom of the Young Women's Christian Association with with THE TIMES-DISPATCH

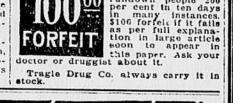
FORWARDED TO WAR ZONE The following is a copy of the last letter received by Mrs. Thurston from

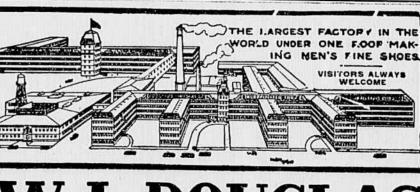
"March 29, 1916. Dear Mother—Just a few lines to t you know I am still in the land of the living. Received your letter terday, and also a copy of the T. D. from M. C.
"Well, the Germans made another

well, the Germans made another smash below here at Verdun that cost them 300,000 men, and I expect they are going to try something here, but everyone is confident of the outcome. In fact I would like to get into another big fight with them, and in another two weeks the Canadians will decorate the front pages of the newspapers as they did this time last year.

"On February 27 the captain of our







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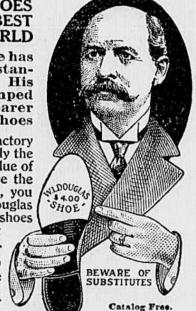
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company was questioning me in regard Music, received a telegram yesterday to my release, and as things didn't materialize I saw him yesterday. He said in Berkeley, Cal. The shock to Mr.

the name of B. A. Rucker, 1103 East Clay Street, Richmond, Va., United wrote Lieutenant Drake about eral of Son's Death on April 3. weeks ago, but haven't had a reply (Signed)

### C. & O. EARNINGS JUMP

Income to Date Will Aggre-gate \$2,666,261.

peake and Ohio Railway Company for first of last year in Company cent, as compared with the same week C. First Battalion, Canadian Volunteers, and saw some of the hardest fighting in Flanders.

Canadian Volunteert, as compared with the same week of last year, according to figures made public yesterday, by Comptroller L. F. Sullivan. Sullivan.

ce he left to fight the battles 21 per cent, 1914; 90 per cent, 1913, and 30 per cent, 1912. For the cur-Before becoming a soldier, Mr.
Thurston was in the employ of the General Roofing Corporation as a over last year, 27 per cent, 1914; 20 per cent, 1912, and 30 per cent, 1912. For the current fiscal year to date the earnings are \$38,380,975, a gain of 23 per cent traveling salesman. He is survived by 36 per cent over 1914.

### ACTOR LOSES MOTHER

was up to the American consul in Hohl was accentuated by the fact that It was up to the American consul in Hohl was accentuated by the fact that London, so I am expecting it every day, because no doubt there are miles of red tape to go through.

"We are having beautiful weather."

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"We are having beautiful weather, just like the weather at home in May, and if it were not for the noise of the guns one wouldn't know there was a in the play, "Merely Mary Ann." Owing to the distance to his home, Mr. Hohl to the distance to his home, Mr. Hohl will be unable to attend the funeral.

### A Real Flesh Builder For Thin People

Arthur Hohl, of Price Players, Receives
Sand Message While Rehearsing
Comedy Scene.

Arthur Hohl, a member of the Price
Players, the company rehearsing for the spring season at the Academy of the spring season at the spring s

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